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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : BIOMATERA INC. et al.
Serial No. : 10/500,473
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Title : METHOD OF DRYING BIODEGRADABLE BIOPOLYMERS
Group Art Unit : 3749
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION FILED CONCURRENTLY
WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) AND
A PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2008, in relation with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three month extension of time for replying is filed concurrently with the present response.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.